

EXHIBIT A

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

STUDENT DOE NO. 1,

Plaintiff,

v.

KRISTI NOEM, Secretary of the
Department of Homeland Security, *et.al.*,

Defendant.

No. 25-1962

DECLARATION OF JAMES HICKS

1. My name is James Hicks, I am employed by the Student and Exchange Visitor Program within Homeland Security Investigations as the Division Chief of External Operations. As part of my employment, I have access to Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) records. In support of this declaration, I have accessed the record of the plaintiff in this case, and this declaration is made from first-hand knowledge after accessing the record.
2. I confirm that the Plaintiff's SEVIS record was reactivated on April 24, 2025, at 3:25 p.m. (EDT). Accordingly, the Plaintiff's SEVIS record has been returned to active status.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 27th day of April 2025.

JAMES D HICKS
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James Hicks
Division Chief, External Operations
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